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## House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM).

### DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
February 27, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF DENHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 3, 2017, the Chair would now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1400

### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM) at 2 p.m.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:  
Loving God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

You sent Your prophet Isaiah to Your people when they were in need of hope and vision. May Isaiah's prophetic words guide us still.

Send Your spirit upon this Nation and this Congress that we may be open to hearing Your word and actively seek the salvation You alone can bring.

Make of us a people of compassion and holiness. In pursuing the avenues of justice for all, may we be a sign to the community of nations.

Help us to work toward the complete fulfillment of the deepest human hopes and Your inspiring promises. With humility let us embrace our calling: to be truly prophetic, as Your servants of old, by earnestly fulfilling Your commands now and forever.

Lord, bless the Members of the people's House today and all days, and may all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. MIMI WALTERS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### REVIVE THE KEYSTONE PIPELINE

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, President Trump has signed an executive order to revive the Canadian Keystone XL pipeline. If Keystone does not go through, it is not as if Americans will stop buying oil to meet our energy needs. No, we will just buy it from somewhere else. That includes countries like Saudi Arabia or corrupt Venezuela.

It seems to me that we would rather see a stable country and neighbor like Canada get this contract than Venezuela or Middle Eastern countries.

Keystone is also good for the United States. Keystone XL pipeline will bring thousands of jobs to my home State of Texas. This is where the pipeline ends at the refineries in southeast Texas.

At peak capacity, the pipeline is expected to deliver 830,000 barrels a day to the Gulf Coast. That is as much fuel as we get from Saudi Arabia. At peak capacity, this will be better for the United States and energy independence.

TransCanada has reapplied for this permit, and the State Department needs to approve it. Pipelines are the most economical and environmentally safe way to move fuel, and it is time we make this happen.

And that is just the way it is.

### SNAP: A RUNG ON THE ECONOMIC LADDER

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to identify an important rung on the economic ladder.

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, can help pave the way for recipients to climb the economic ladder through work training.

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The truth is simple: where poverty exists, skills gaps can prevent access to jobs with family-sustaining wages.

Underemployment and unemployed are leading causes of poverty, and promoting pathways to employment is the best way to help individuals climb the economic ladder out of poverty and into self-sufficiency. Combined with other welfare programs, SNAP recipients may face a welfare cliff when they are just above the income eligibility level, which can create disincentives to finding work or increasing earnings.

Better enforcement of work requirements is needed in some States, and enforcement needs to be coupled with more effective SNAP employment and training programs.

As the House Agriculture Nutrition Subcommittee chair and House Career and Technical Education Caucus co-chair, I am committed to reforming the nutrition needs of today and greater opportunities for tomorrow for all Americans.

#### REMEMBERING PAUL GLAAB OF ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

(Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Paul Glaab who passed away on January 26.

Paul's career in public service began in the 1980s when he worked for the Republican caucus in the California State assembly on business, transportation, and housing issues. He continued to serve two California Governors in the State's Division of Codes and Standards and the Department of Transportation. He then served on the board of the Orange County Transportation Authority and later as the board's chair. Notably, he served two terms as Laguna Niguel's mayor.

Paul was a true public servant, and he will be missed by everyone in the Orange County community.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Janice, his daughter Molly, and the rest of his family. We join them in their mourning and hope that they will find comfort in knowing that Paul's legacy of leadership will live on for years to come.

#### BLACK HISTORY MONTH

(Ms. BARRAGÁN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BARRAGÁN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as we close out Black History Month. Last night at the Oscars, we saw "Moonlight" win the Best Picture, which was a real milestone for Black filmmakers. We also saw Viola Davis, the first African-American woman to win an Oscar, an Emmy, and a Tony.

We have come a long way since the civil rights era. As a kid in school, I was intrigued by the period. It is when

I first learned about standing up, fighting for people, for equality against racial discrimination, and injustices. The struggle is real, and it continues today.

I am looking forward this weekend to going with one of my civil rights heroes, Congressman JOHN LEWIS, on a Faith and Politics trip to Selma, Montgomery, and Birmingham. May we learn from history to end the hatred, divisions, and the injustices that continue.

#### TRUMP'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS POPULAR

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, a recent poll shows that the American people agree with all of President Trump's major executive orders, though they are not likely to learn about it from the liberal media.

Fifty-five percent approve of revoking Federal funding for sanctuary cities. Only 33 percent disapprove. Fifty-five percent approve of prohibiting refugees from seven countries from entering the U.S. Only 38 percent disapprove.

By wide margins, the American people side with the President on freezing regulations and Federal hiring, building pipelines, and constructing a wall along the U.S. border with Mexico.

As favorable to the President as this poll is, think how much more favorable it would have been if the media had not incessantly criticized his executive orders.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, February 24, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,  
The Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 24, 2017, at 9:54 a.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 442.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

#### APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE AMERICAN FOLK LIFE CENTER IN THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 2103(b), and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, of the following individual to the Board of Trustees of the

American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress on the part of the House for a term of 6 years:

Ms. Amy Kitchener, Fresno, California.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 4:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1630

#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky) at 4 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

#### SHILOH NATIONAL MILITARY PARK BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT AND PARKER'S CROSSROADS BATTLEFIELD DESIGNATION ACT

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 88) to modify the boundary of the Shiloh National Military Park located in Tennessee and Mississippi, to establish Parker's Crossroads Battlefield as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 88

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Shiloh National Military Park Boundary Adjustment and Parker's Crossroads Battlefield Designation Act".

#### SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act, the following definitions apply:

(1) **AFFILIATED AREA.**—The term "affiliated area" means the Parker's Crossroads Battlefield established as an affiliated area of the National Park System under section 4.

(2) **PARK.**—The term "Park" means Shiloh National Military Park, a unit of the National Park System.

(3) **SECRETARY.**—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

#### SEC. 3. AREAS TO BE ADDED TO SHILOH NATIONAL MILITARY PARK.

(a) **ADDITIONAL AREAS.**—The boundary of Shiloh National Military Park is modified to include the areas that are generally depicted